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BURGEN'S PEOPLE, [NAME BK'S] PEOPLE AND ROGEN'S PEOPLE:
ARRANGEMENTS FOR MAINTAINING CONTACT
(1944)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: MOSCOW

Nos.: 274, 275, 277, 281, 284

25th, 26th January 1944

[5-part message complete]

[Part I] In reply to No. 128[i].

BURGEN's[ii] people

RUNAR[iii] is maintaining contact with FRITs[iv]. Meetings take place only in the open air, each [1 group unrecovered] in a different place in the town or in the suburbs, at various times from dusk onwards but not later than 2400 hours. The interval between meetings is from 10 to 15 days and the duration is from 5 to 20 minutes - walking up and down all the time. If a meeting

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goes on longer e.g. for as much as 20 to 30 minutes, the practice is to go into the entrance-hall of a building: there conversations are held or material is handed over, if it is particularly bulky. The location does not arouse any suspicion as the Swedes very often hold lengthy conversations in entrance-halls. The hall is entered by the two together; after the conversation and the handing over of the material, they leave separately. We have a post box for FRITs: emergency meetings [4 groups unrecovered] meeting. [D% We have] [1 group unrecovered] post box for contact

[20 groups unrecovered]

FRITs knows RUNAR's surname [3 groups unrecovered]. ORNE[v]

[28 groups unrecoverable].

RUNAR has personal contact with ORNE; procedure for meetings with him the same as with FRITs. FRITs

[7 groups unrecovered]

for whom we have a post box. [3 groups unrecovered] FRITs and RUNAR [2 groups unrecovered] made for

[27 groups unrecoverable]

his [2 groups unrecovered]. RUNAR [3 groups unrecovered] with OSKAR[vi] and ADRIAN[vii] to a meeting [C% in] the town with the same arrangements.

[Part II]

OSKAR [1 group unrecovered] was in contact with ULAV[viii]. He previously rejected BAL'TAZAR[ix] and ANKER[x]. After ROLAND's[xi] detention at the frontier, Erik MARTUS[xii] is not yet [C% threatened] because of the situation [C% in the past]. [1 group unrecovered] of OSKAR transfer[xiii] to the prison at FALUN[xiv]. [9 groups unrecovered] out of the camp, as the Swedish Police handed over his case for further investigation to the Norwegian Police here.

RAUL'[xv] is in contact with ZHAN[xvi]. Meetings are chiefly by day outside the town: RAUL' goes there by car and leaves it somewhere out of sight at a considerable distance from the meeting place. The interval between meetings is about one month, as he might draw attention to himself by driving out frequently. For the facts about him see [Name BV's][xvii] letter to you dated 17th January 1943, in which even then the question was raised of the desirability of finding out from the Comintern archives about ZHAN's connection with DIMAU[xviii] in FRANCE; but as yet no answer has been received. RAUL' [B% was put[VYVEDEN]] on to PETRUS[xix] by ZHAN [.] [xx] We have a post box for PETRUS; two meetings [D% a month] take place. The arrangements for the meetings are similar to those described above for FRITs. PETRUS knows RAUL's office telephone number. You were informed of this by telegraph in No. 28[xxi]. Telephone No. 113240[xxii]. RAUL' met

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BRITA[xxiii] three times in 1940 and twice in [1 group unrecovered][xxiv]. During the period of the meetings he fully [C% recruited] her, made arrangements for a meeting with our man in BERLIN and for an agreed code should it be possible to send information with people leaving BERLIN for STOCKHOLM. Since she left, three letters have been received via the German émigré [xxv] - I have informed you of this - who knows that they are supposedly in love with each other. In the letters she said what her job was. Recently she has been appearing on tour in SPAIN. [Name BV] start...[xiii] personal contact with LYUDVIG[xxvi] and ANTONI[xxvii] by becoming acquainted officially[xxviii] but, when he obtained their consent to work for us, [Name BV] [C% went over to] illegal meetings which took place during [B% the rift] between RUNAR and FRITS. RAUL' went to OSKAR II[xxix]. The latter was visited twice at his home where a meeting place in the open air was arranged. During the second visit he was handed a letter which pointed out that his behaviour was unsatisfactory, but in spite of this he again did not come to a meeting. At present surveillance of OSKAR II is being arranged. If we meet him we shall speak to him severely.

[Part IV] [Name BK's][xxx] people

KRYUGER[xxxi] is in contact with SVEN[xxxii] [6 groups unrecovered]. In case a regular meeting does not take place there is an emergency summons [1 group unrecovered] contact via a dead letter box[DUBOK]. If intelligence[INFORMATsIONNYJ] material is placed in the dead letter box, an agreed visual mark is made on a particular page of a telephone book in a designated telephone box. The telephone boxes [1 group unrecovered]

[247 groups unrecoverable]

[Part V] This means going out to a meeting at the appointed time and place. SAAR[xxxiii], the captain of the Soviet ship MAJYa, is in direct contact with [Name BK] and is undergoing training under his guidance. GEORG[xxxiv] is in direct contact with [Name BK] by means of [1 group unrecovered] and [C% pressure]. LEVA[xxxv] was in contact personally with [Name BK]. At present LEVA

[62 groups unrecovered]

he will have two lines of communication with us via

[22 groups unrecoverable]

ROGEN's[xxxvi] people maintain[xiii] contact with SVEN. KLASS[xxxvii]

[31 groups unrecovered]

appointed day and time KLASS (the recognition signal being a newspaper in the left-hand pocket of his overcoat) meets VINTER[xxxviii] who knows KLASS by sight

[76 groups unrecovered]

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To [Name AJ][xxxix]

As FOGEL'[xl] is ill, part of the telegram is being delayed until 26th January.

No. 39[xli]

[Name AO][xlii]

Footnotes: [i] Not available.

[ii] BURGEN: ✓

Unidentified covername. Also occurs, as a signatory, in STOCKHOLM's Nos. 107 of 17th February 1941 (3/NBF/T1518) and 333 of 11th May 1941 (unpublished) and in the text of No. 194 of 18th January 1944 (3/NBF/T2022).

[iii] RUNAR: ✓

Unidentified covername. Also occurs in STOCKHOLM's Nos. 471 of 10th March 1942 (3/NBF/T1474), 658 of 26th February 1943 (3/NBF/T1536), 1501 of 11th May 1943 (3/NBF/T1700) and in 3/NBF/T2022.

[iv] FRITZ: ✓

i.e. "FRITZ"; unidentified covername. Also occurs in STOCKHOLM's Nos. 874 of 8th May 1942 (3/NBF/T1560), 901 of 13th May 1942 (unpublished), 917 of 15th May 1942 (3/NBF/T1432), 1047 of 1st June 1942 (unpublished), 1475 of 8th May 1943 (3/NBF/T1707) and in 3/NBF/T2022.

[v] ORNE: ✓

Unidentified covername. Also occurs in 3/NBF/T2022.

[vi] OSKAR: ✓

Unidentified covername. Also occurs in STOCKHOLM's Nos. 658 of 26th February 1943 (3/NBF/T1536), 699 of 1st March 1943 (3/NBF/T1696), 1501 of 11th May 1943 (3/NBF/T1700) and in 3/NBF/T2022. /See also OSKAR II Feb 1942 [xxxix]

[vii] ADRIAN: ✓

Thorbjörn Thjost THORSEN, Norwegian Communist.

[viii] ULAV: ✓

i.e. "OLAV"; unidentified covername. Also occurs in STOCKHOLM's Nos. 655 of 26th February 1943 (3/NBF/T1542), 749 of 5th March 1943 (3/NBF/T1724) and 1512 of 13th May 1943 (3/NBF/T1714).

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Footnotes

- [Cont'd]: [ix] BAL'TAZAR: X i.e. "BALTHAZAR"; unidentified covername. First occurrence.
- [x] ANKER: Unidentified. First occurrence.
- [xi] ROLAND: Arne LUND, Norwegian Communist.
- [xii] Erik MARTUS: ✓ Not traced.
- [xiii] Root of verb identified, but ending unknown.
- [xiv] FALUN: 60.35N : 15.39E, SWEDEN.
- [xv] RAUL: i.e. "RAOUL"; probably Mikhail Borisovich KOSOV, TASS correspondent in SWEDEN.
- [xvi] ZHAN: i.e. "JEAN"; unidentified covername. Also occurs in 3/NBF/T2022.
- [xvii] Name BV: ✓ Unidentified. Also occurs in 3/NBF/T2022.
- [xviii] DIMAU: Unidentified. First occurrence.
- [xix] PETRUS: Unidentified covername. Also occurs in 3/NBF/T2022.
- [xx] Inserted by the translator.
- [xxi] 3/NBF/T2022.
- [xxii] Tel. No. 113240: Listed as the number of the TASS Agency in STOCKHOLM.
- [xxiii] BRITA: Unidentified covername. First occurrence.
- [xxiv] Unrecovered place-name.
- [xxv]
- [xxvi] LYUDVIG: i.e. "LUDWIG"; unidentified covername. Also occurs in 3/NBF/T2022.

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[Cont'd]: [xxvii] ANTONI: ✓

i.e. "ANTHONY"; unidentified covername. Also occurs in 3/NBF/T2022.

[xxviii] Or "through official acquaintances".

[xxix] OSKAR II: ✓

Unidentified covername. First occurrence. See note (vii)

[xxx] Name BK: ✓

Unidentified. Also occurs in 3/NBF/T2022.

[xxxi] KRYUGER: ✓

i.e. "KRÜGER"; unidentified. Also occurs in 3/NBF/T2022.

[xxxii] SVEN: ✓

Unidentified covername. Also occurs in 3/NBF/T2022.

[xxxiii] SAAR: ✓

Not further identified. Also occurs in 3/NBF/T2022.

[xxxiv] GEORG: ✓

Unidentified covername. Also occurs in STOCKHOLM's Nos. 1525 of 7th December 1942 (unpublished), 471 of 10th March 1942 (3/NBF/T1474), 634 of 3rd April 1942 (unpublished), 592, 594 of 20th February 1943 (3/NBF/T1534, 1540), 749, 803 of 10th and 10th March 1943 (3/NBF/T1724, 1725) and in MOSCOW's Nos. 145 of 27th February 1942 (3/NBF/T1492), 256 of 8th April 1942 (3/NBF/T1493) and 596, 697 of 26th September 1942 (3/NBF/T1527 and unpublished).

[xxxv] LEVA: ✓

Unidentified covername. Also occurs in 3/NBF/T2022.

[xxxvi] ROGEN: ✓

Possibly Zakhar SLEPENKOV, Soviet Assistant Naval Attaché in STOCKHOLM.

[xxxvii] KLASS: ✓

Unidentified covername. First occurrence.

[xxxviii] VINTER: ✓

i.e. "WINTER"; unidentified. First occurrence.

[xxxix] Name AJ: ✓

Equivalent to Name No. 42 i.e. possibly Captain (1st Rank) M.A. VORONTSOV.

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[Cont'd]: [xl] FOGEL: >

i.e. "FOGEL/VOGEL"; unidentified. First occurrence.

[xli] Message No. 39 was inserted between Parts III and IV of message No. 38.

[xlii] Name AO: -

Possibly equivalent to Name No. 59
i.e. probably Captain Aleksey TARADIN,
Soviet Naval Attaché in STOCKHOLM.

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